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SECTION 1051

FILE No. 122-900

SERIAL No.

MYSORE DEWAN'S OFFICE.

FOREST BRANCH.

OFFICE NOTE.

122-900

SUBJECT. Khedda Budget Estimates for 1901/1902

LAST REFERENCE. Letter No. 3019/185 dated 18th March from Conservator of Forests received through the Comptroller Mysore Ex 22nd March 1901

The Receipts are estimated as follows:—

	1900/1	1901/2	Difference
Sale of Elephants	16,000	11000	- 5000
Hire of Elephants	2,000	3500	+ 1500
Miscellaneous	400	500	+ 100
Total Rs	18,400	15000	- 3400

The decrease under Sale proceed. of Elephan is due to the exclusion of sold Elephant Jezarami from the list of saleable Elephants and to the reduction of price of another (Bheemaprasad) - only 10 Elephants are expected

The increase under hire of Elephants is due to the proposed employment of 13 elephants in dragging timber.

Miscellaneous item includes sale proceeds of Ivory.

Net decrease under Receipts Rs 3400/

Expenditure

	1900/1	1901/2	Difference
Up Keep of Elephants	1,700	1,000	— 700
Repair of Kheddas	1,900	500	— 1,400
Feed of Elephants	5,550	2,700	— 2,850
Training and Elephant attendants of Captured ones.	1940	1,100	— 840
Office Establishment	828	528	— 300
Elephants Est[ablishment]	7,320	6,240	— 1080
Contingencies including travelling allowances.	312	232	— 80
Total Rs.	19,550	12,300	— 7250

Net total decrease under Expenditure Rs. 7250

The Estimates have been greatly reduced.

The Surplus is Estimated at Rs.

Receipts 15000
Expendi 12300 2,700

The Conservator explains that Endeavour has been made to restrict the charges within really necessary limits and the present estimate is framed with the same object.

Details of Income & Expenditure are given in Conservator's letter No. 3019/185 dated 18th March 1901.

This is a Council matter

Sub[mitted] with a copy of last years budget abstract

CS
4/4/01

Estimates of weight must at the best be very uncertain. It is sometimes possible a small calculation would be altogether, under conditions including the market price of elephants' tusks and are generally favourable. It seems however, desirable to make provision for a capture. We have not yet made the slightest progress this way. I very nearly succeeded in doing so [illegible]; but all luck as to price regarding food animals &c. followed me.

What can be done here - some during the [illegible] rains & the greater part between the

charges. The estimate is
for this year
well as for a small
amount for next year.

J. L. Pyper.
8/4/07.

2nd Council

I agree to this estimate which ~~[illegible]~~ with the Dewan's remarks may be placed before the Council.

It would be interesting to know what the actuals have been when so far compared with the estimates framed for the current year 1906/07 - The information available can then be obtained & may be given to the Acting General Agent for being placed before the Council when this Budget comes up for consideration.

Subd to the Dewan. 9/4/07

10/4/1907

(1) I am returning herewith the Public Prosecutor's proposal in a letter dated 7th instant. The Public Prosecutor has requested for some time past for an increase in the Establishment attached to his office and has submitted proposals for the same. I am not in favour of the proposal as I do not think that the work of the Public Prosecutor's office is so heavy as to require the addition of a Deputy Public Prosecutor on Rs 250 per mensem. The Public Prosecutor has been in the habit of getting the assistance of the Police Prosecutor in the Police Court cases and I think that this arrangement should be continued. The Public Prosecutor has also been in the habit of getting the assistance of the Assistant Superintendent of Police in the Police Court cases and I think that this arrangement should be continued. The Public Prosecutor has also been in the habit of getting the assistance of the Assistant Superintendent of Police in the Police Court cases and I think that this arrangement should be continued.

(2) I agree to the proposal to increase the pay of the Clerk in the Public Prosecutor's office from Rs 30 to Rs 40 per mensem.

Submitted

This should be shown to the Acting Secretary for Compliance as the Council is to be on Monday.

I will do what is possible but I can not promise anything definite as the time is short.

Rec'd 10/4/07

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Submitted again to the 2nd Councillor.

12/4/1907

The Right will please speak to me about this in the office on Monday the 15th Instant.

To the Ht Secy.

12/4/07

13/4

Put up the papers regarding sanction for the Khadda at Kelenkote in view of small chance of rain.

J. L. Pyot.

13.4.07

Subd & Lands & Mines

13.4.01

Please let me have a memo on the two points raised by the Dewan C

17/4/07.

Subd with a short note

19/4/01

Enclosure 16 Notes

Proceedings of the Government of Mysore.

No. 10703-713—Ft. F. 128-95, dated, Bangalore, 8th June 1897.

Order.—The suspension for a series of years of elephant khedda operations has now been under the consideration of the Government for some time.

2. The Mysore khedda system, as originally started and worked by the late Mr. Sanderson in 1886 and subsequent years, answered very well for several years. Under this system the wild herds are impounded in big enclosures (or kheddas) previously prepared along the routes usually taken by elephant herds in travelling from one part of the forests to another in search of food and water, and from these enclosures they are driven into the smaller stockades, in which they are each separately roped with the aid of trained elephants and afterwards led out into the open. The elephants have become too knowing for the continued success of this system, for they now avoid our fixed kheddas to such an extent that it has become necessary to resort to a system of drives over long distances with the help of villagers, which, while entailing much expense and making an undue demand upon local labor, only succeed in securing small fractions of the herds. Under such circumstances, the Government resolved in September last, to give a trial to another system of capture called the "Bengal system," under which a wild herd is surrounded in the forests by skilled hunters, who afterwards rapidly construct a temporary stockade so as to keep the animals impounded within it. This system has been tried this year with considerable success with the aid of 300 men imported from Chitagong, and so many as 161 elephants have been captured, out of which 10 had to be released and 13 either died or had to be shot in stockade, and 18 died subsequently.

3. One chief object in trying the Bengal system this year was to give to local hunters such training as would enable us to dispense with the importation of foreign hunters in future, and to make small annual captures with the aid of local men and a small establishment of mahouts. This object has not been realized, for it has not apparently been found possible to train any local men for the work. The Bengal system, if carried on with the help of imported hunters, is too costly for a *small* annual operation, and a large capture such as that of this year, if allowed to be carried on annually, is calculated to exterminate the species in the course of a very small number of years.

Under such circumstances, the Government resolve to suspend the capture of elephant herds until further orders. It is evident from all accounts that the species requires the rest of a few years to enable it to regain its former strength, and it is probable that after the lapse of a sufficient interval of time it may be feasible to revert to the system of fixed kheddas which answered so well during the first several years.

5. The financial results of the khedda operations from their commencement in November 1888 up to 30th June 1897, when they are to be closed, will probably be found, on the closing of the accounts, to involve a deficit, even after taking credit for the stock of kumki and other elephants retained, and making allowance for the increased expenditure due to the visits of distinguished State Guests.

6. But when the Government instituted khedda operations, its object was not to make a direct financial gain but to afford relief to raiyats from the depredations of wild elephants, which had increased largely and were causing serious damage to crops in parts of the Mysore, Shimoga and Kadur districts. The operations of nine years have so reduced their number that they now keep well within the forests and cause little or no annoyance to the raiyats in any part of the State.

7. The accounts of the Khedda Department must all be finally closed by the 30th June 1897. These accounts [illegible] greatly in arrears and much laxity appears to prevail in connection with the [illegible] large and complicated system of advances. These defects in the [illegible] Khedda Department had previously attracted the attention of the Government and orders for their [illegible] issued.

*From the Conservator of Forests, Nos. 2752—256 [illegible]
dated 4th and 14th March 189[illegible]
To ditto No. 8452-53—Ft. F., 52-95, dated [illegible]

From ditto „ 4303—391, dated 13th June [illegible]
To ditto „ 319-20, dated 24th June 1896.
From ditto „ 1696—144, dated 13th November 1896.
To ditto „ 6810-11—Ft. F., 52-95, dated [illegible]

[illegible] the difficulties of a department, the head of which is entrusted with the carrying of elephants on the one hand and the disbursement of payments on the other, the Government are compelled to regard as unsatisfactory. Now that the active operations of the year have been completed and no field operations are proposed for the next month, the Superintendent cannot have any reasonable excuse for failing finally to close the whole of the accounts including a proper adjustment of advances of all kinds before the 30th June 1897. The Superintendent is accordingly directed to devote his first attention to this part of his duties. The Superintendent's report on the final closing of the accounts as above directed, and the general report on the working of the department from November 1888 to June 1897, with the observations of the Conservator thereon, should be submitted in due course for the information and orders of the Government.

8. A careful stock of all khedda materials should also be taken before the 30th June, such portion of it as may be of future use should be retained and the remainder disposed of in the best manner possible. The Superintendent will submit his recommendations upon this question in due course through the Conservator of Forests.

9. The kumki elephants, and such elephants of this year's capture as can be trained for forest work, should all be retained by the Forest Department and used for working timber as is usual in Burma and Malabar. The Burmese kumkies are already well trained for this work and the others should all be similarly trained as quickly as possible. Hauling timber from parts inaccessible to carts by means of kumkies, was once successfully tried by Mr. Shamaiengar. The employment of elephants for forest work is, in the opinion of the Government, an important object for the ready accomplishment of which, an excellent opportunity is afforded by the suspension now ordered of khedda operations from 1st July 1897. The Conservator will be requested to submit, for the orders of Government, after consultation with Mr. Shamaiengar and the District Forest Officer, his proposals on this subject, together with proposals for the establishment of mahouts and others required. In making these proposals the requirements of a future resumption of khedda operations should be borne in mind.

10. It is evident that the number of elephants captured this year is far in excess of what there is a market for. No elephants should, however, be sold at a sacrifice, and such as cannot be sold for a reasonable price should be retained and trained for forest work.

11. The Government take this opportunity of recording its appreciation of the highly successful manner in which Mr. Shamaiengar has carried on khedda operations since he assumed charge of the department in September 1892. Suddenly called upon to take the place of the great and well known a master of the art as the late Mr. Sanderson, his powers of organization and application enabled him to carry on the field operations of the department

in a manner so satisfactory and creditable as to evoke praise from all quarters. Upon the abolition of the khedda establishment on the 1st July next, he will, until further orders, be employed, under the orders of the Conservator, on the work of training and using the elephants for forest work in the manner described in para 9 above.

2. Regarding the disposal of the portion of the khedda establishment, [illegible] orders will be passed upon receipt of reports [illegible] and in anticipation of such orders, the Conservator [illegible] as soon as possible, notice of the abolition of the [illegible] to those members of the present establishment, whose services are not, in his opinion, likley to be required after the date above specified.

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

To The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.
The Superintendent of Kheddas in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Comptroller to the Government of Mysore.

Ent.—H. A.R.

10 Dewan's remarks on Hon'ble Mr's speech in Khedda Budget for 1901-02

A

No. 1070 3-713
Pt. 7 128-95
8/16/97

(1) "In suspending the Khedda operations in 1897 the Govt. remarked that the species required the rest of a few years to enable it to regain its former strength. —

B

In sanctioning the budget of the Khedda Dept. for 1899-1900 the Govt. remarked that provision for a small capture may be retained to meet either

(1) the possibility of a herd wandering into the Khedda as has happened before, and being then secured by the ordinary Rules or

(2) an organized capture for purposes of sport in connection with the visit of a distinguished Guest, such an organized capture being undertaken only with the express sanction of Govt.

Pt. 1/E
Pt. 2 33.98

with the object

detailed Khedda no 1 of the
Kálenkóte Kheddas was
kept in repair for chance
captures. The provision
made in the budget for 1901/02
is intended for this purpose.
As stated in the Estt under
date the 6th April it is then a
question whether a small catch
should be attempted: but
it is desirable to make
provision for a capture

8. No (1) & (2)

2. Regarding the Estt.
it is noted that after the
close of the Khedda Departt the
following Estt was kept on
pending further proposals.

1 clerk on 30 } in the Distt
2 peons on 7 each } Forest Office
1 Lascar on 7 Rs.

1 clerk on Rs 25 in the Conservr's Office

Vide Budget for 1899/190
B

Subsequently the Lascar on Rs 7
was done away with

Vide budget for 1901/02.
C

The Conservator has proposed
to absorb the clerk on Rs 25
in to his office Estt and provision
on this account has been omitted.

1

The Estt in the Distt Forest
Office is inadequate for its own

work. So that it is necessary
12 that the provision for the Khalla
for
clerk and 2 peons in the
Khyber Desti Forest Officer
should be retained.

Point 1. I agree on both the main
for the establishment
proposed, whether or
not a capture is
attempted or is suc-
cessful.

Point 2. In present condition
on both market, I am
not practicing in
favour of keeping and
(ie cheap, non-organised
captures - the question,
finance apart, seems
purely one of expedience
in connection with the
having of the monkeys
small chance captures
in ordinary circ.
appear to be financially
profitable. But there is
always the risk of
some monkeys loss.
I understand that the

Police Sight obtain on
Sufficiency of elephant-
by the pit-fall system -

J. L. Pyott.
19. 4. 07.

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2nd Councillor

One of the Kheddas is
kept in repair - by a
herd of elephants
undesirable that it should
be kept out. There is
also the possibility of
a disappointed contractor
bearing me on whose
account an organized
capture on a small
scale & at the least
cost - if practicable, might
become necessary. Haphazard
captures are of course
neither
contemplated nor expedient.
Much depends on (organized)
captures
which were an institution
before the abolition of
the Kheddas debts.

I am not sure that
a clerk on such
large pay as Rs 30
two peons on Rs 7 each
are indispensable -
I shall ask Mr Pyott

as it exists now

Mrs requires
very careful
consideration
after our
discussion

[redacted]

[redacted]

Budget order issued. File
Resolution directed on extract
of Council resolution herewith put-up

CA
23/5/01.

I have deferred the issue
of the latter part (within brackets)
of the Council order dated
the 11th instant as the matter
was not urgent, and the
instructions can conveniently
be issued as a separate
order if so desired.

It had been my intention,
since joining the province,
to propose that, as soon
as the Forest Code of
accounts was ready, the
Khedda Elephants and staff
as a separate concern
should be done away
with; and that the elephants
should be distributed to

[redacted]

23/5/01

Needless

replace the former by a
clerk on Rs 20 and
reduce the latter to
Pending however a
here given to this
the earliest opportunity
the provision made in
the present budget
may be allowed to
stand.

A Khedda Budget
when there is no separate
Khedda detail
to be an annual
1902/03, the provision
relating to elephant
catching, upkeep and
disposal of elephants
may be incorporated
in the Forest Budget.

20/4/01

Dy Conservator.

22/4/01.

Rec
22/4/01
50m.

I agree
25/4/01

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EXTRACT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE 238th MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

DATED 11th May 1901.

RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:—

x x x

III. That the Kheda budget estimate for the year 1901-02, providing for an income of Rs. 15,000, an expenditure of Rs 12,300 and a surplus of Rs 2700, be passed with the observation that the clerk on Rs 30 entertained in the Mysore District Forest Office should be replaced as early as possible by one on Rs 20 and only one peon on Rs 7 should be retained, and that with effect from the next following official year (1902-03) a separate budget for Kheda should be discontinued, the provisions required on that account being incorporated in the Forest Budget under a separate head "Kheda".

x v v

(Sd) P. N. Krishna Murti
Dewan. President

Copy to the Secretary to Govt., Forest Dept.
15th May 1901.

K. S. Chandrasekharan
for Secy to Govt., Judl. Dept.
P. T. O.

MGCPB—2-5-01—500.

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Subdivetti draft

17/5/01

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Resubd as directed

28/5/01

G.R.S. 13]

Routine Notes.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

No. 785-6

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23. 5-01

For the original see
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Reserve 1 Vol 14

Budget order issu
resulted. as directed
extract of Council
herewith put up.
(M). C. S. 23-5-01.

I have deferred
issue of the latter p
(written bracketed) o
Council order dat
11th Inst. as the ma
was not urgent,
the instructions co
conveniently be i
as a separate ord
so desired.

It had been my
intention since join
the province to
that, as soon as
Forest Code of Ass
was ready the
elephants & the s
as a separate cas
should be dea
away with, and
the elephants sh
be distributed

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

and be retained permanently in the various districts according to the work (timber dressing) to be done; that necessary provision of funds should be made in the district forest budgets and that the items of revenue and expenditure should be charged to the appropriate sub heads of account which exist in the India Forest Code and which are proposed for our Code. This is the practice in British India. To introduce a new head (Kheddas) of account would, I suggest, be inconvenient

Please see page 140 of I. F. Code herewith put up.

and it would moreover
be necessary to subdivide
that head into minor heads

I therefore propose
that the Council order
may be altered so as to
permit of instructions
being issued to the follow-
-ing effect :-

That with effect from
"1902-03 the separate budget
"for Kheddas should be
"discontinued. The elephants
"will be distributed amongst
"the various districts where
"they are required for
"forest operations, the
"expenditure being budgetted
"and accounted for under
"the appropriate heads and
"sub heads of accounts
in the Forest Department,

"but in such a way
"that receipts of the
"Kinds now pertainin
"to "Kheddas" may
"ascertainable at an

Of Course Elephan
can readily be tempo
withdrawn from the
for real Khedda wo
But I venture to th
that we should no
anything leading
the idea that the Khe
Department still s
or may be resusc
What I suggest is
customary proced
in the Indian Fore
Department.

D. L. Rey
31-5-0

Secy to Govt Mysore 2nd Councillor.

21 H

I am not sure that it is necessary to take this matter again before the Council. The proposed alteration relates to matters of detail & can I think be dealt with at the Forest Court. How will the distribution affect the control of rabbits, establishment, &c? Are there no elephants for sale? Please send to me at Adamstown when we meet. C.

1/6/07

Is under such an that proposed may I think be put without reference to Council. The change to be selected to alternate heads of "Kheddas" rather than to keep up distinctions as to Circle. Each District should be allowed Local Boards with the elephants & men attached but instead of the whole being

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animal Jumiana wh
no body knows be
& rob[illegible] on
Quite recently
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might be th

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SECTION Forest

FILE NO. 1-2-1902.

SERIAL NO. 1

Urgent. 436

Reg No. 42

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From The Conservator of Forests Burma

To,

The Secretary to Govt,
Forest department,
thro' the Comptroller in Sup

Dated 18th March 1901.

No. 3019/185 Cons: 2.

Submits the Budget
estimates of Receipts
and disbursements of th
Kheddah department
for the Official year
1901 – 1902.

Vide order No. 785-6 dy
dt 752-95-9
23/5/01

Office of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore,

No. 3019/185 Ens-2 Dated Bangalore, 18th March 1901.

From

The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Forest Department.

Through the Comptroller, Government of Mysore

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the Budget estimates of Receipts and Disbursements of the Kheddah Department for the official year 1901-02, together with the usual comparative statement.

RECEIPTS. 2. I. Sale of elephants. Two elephants, Tararani and Bhimaprasad, are left on hand out of those selected for sale. Tararani has become blind on account of age and is unsaleable. The price put on Bhimaprasad will have to be further reduced, perhaps to Rs 3,000, on account of its age in case an offer is received for its purchase. About 10 elephants are expected to be caught for training purposes during the ensuing year and their sale value is estimated at Rs 8,000 at an average of Rs 800, each. Rs 11,000 are consequently estimated under this head against Rs 16,000 for the current year.

II. Hire of elephants. Thirteen elephants in all are proposed to be employed in districts in dragging timber &c for a period of 3 months, and are expected to earn Rs 3,500 at Rs 3 per day for hire. Hence the provision of Rs 3,500 under this head.

III. Miscellaneous items. These consist of ivory,

(Vi) Elephant attendants on newly captured elephants. Under this head, Rs 1,000 has been estimated to meet the charges of 10 mahouts at Rs 15 per mensem and of 10 coolies at Rs 10 per mensem for 4 months.

5. The total estimated charges under "A Up-keep of elephants" for 1901-02 amount to Rs 5,300, against the sanctioned estimate of Rs 11,090 (including the reappropriation of Rs 3840 sanctioned to meet extra charges under certain heads) for 1900-1901.

6. B. Establishment.

I (a). Office establishment. Rs 528 is entered to meet the pay of one clerk on Rs 30 per mensem and two peons on Rs 7 each per mensem employed under the Mysore District Forest Officer. The Khedda clerk on Rs 25, employed in the Conservator's office, was brought on to the strength of that office when its reorganisation was effected, and the provision of Rs 300 is no longer necessary.

(b) Elephant attendants. The following provision has been made:-

		Rs
1	Jemadar ~~Jemadar~~ at Rs 25-35.	420.
14	Foreign mahouts at Rs 20.	3360.
16	coolies (including 2 extra) at Rs 10.	1920.
2	Extra mahouts at Rs 15.	360.
1	Peel-Khana writer at Rs 15.	180.
		6240.

II. Travelling allowances. Rs 78 has been estimated under this head.

III. Contingencies. The following provision is made:-

		Rs.
(a)	Stationery	15.
(b)	Carriage &c.	25.
(d)	Sundries.	110.
(e)	Official postage.	4.
		154.

unserviceable store articles &c for which Rs 500 is estimated.

3. The total estimated receipts under the foregoing heads for 1901-02 aggregate Rs 15,000 or Rs 3,400 less than the sanctioned estimate for 1900-01.

DISBURSEMENTS. A. Up-keep of elephants.

4. The estimate for the year 1901-02 is explained below:-

(i) Purchase of tools and plant. An estimate of Rs 1,000 is adopted for the following:-

		Rs.
(1)	Repairing gaddis and gadelas of Kumki elephants.	100.
(2)	Saddle &c for dragging timber.	100.
(3)	Bedis and Bandan chains.	200.
(4)	Repairs to tents and pals.	100.
(5)	Hemp for training elephants.	200.
(6)	Repairs to Jhools and pattams.	100.
(7)	Dress for Mahouts.	100.
(8)	Sundry expenditure.	100.
		1,000.

(ii) Up-keep of No.1 Kheddah at Kakenkote. UNDER THIS head, a small provision of Rs 500 is entered, considering the costly repairs and improvements effected during the current official year.

(iii) Feed of Kumkies. These animals are kept in the forest for three or more months each year when fodder is plentiful and no grain rations are allowed and for the remaining period provision of Rs 1,700 is made for grain rations (Rs 1,260), fodder during Dasara time (Rs 300) and medicine and sundries (Rs 140).

(iv) Feed of newly captured elephants. The charges provided under this and the following two heads are contingent on the capture of elephants at the Kheddah. A sum of Rs 1,000 has been estimated.

(v) Training money. Rs 100 has been provided.

7. The total estimated expenditure under "B." Establishment" for 1901-02 aggregates Rs 7,000 against the sanctioned estimate of Rs 6,460 for 1900-01.

8. The estimated total receipts amount to Rs 15,000, as against an expenditure under "A." Up-keep of elephants" and B "Establishment" of Rs 12,300, leaving an estimated surplus of Rs 2,700.

9. Endeavour has been made during the past few years to considerably restrict the charges within really necessary limits and the present estimate is framed with the same object in view. If a full capture of animals be effected, as proposed, there is a probability of the receipts at least re-covering the expenditure.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Conservator of Forests.

Compd.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

SECTION Forest

FILE No. 122-900

SERIAL No. 2

Read

Letter No. 3019/185 dated the 18th March 1901, from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, received through the Comptroller Mysore and, submitting for sanction the budget estimates of receipts and expenditure of the Mysore Khedda Department for the year 1901-02.

Order thereon

The Khedda budget estimates for the year 1901-02, providing for an income of Rs. 15,000, an expenditure of Rs. 12,300 and a surplus of Rs. 2700

Forest.

2 copies of Pro. will have to be sent to the Revy. after the printed copies are read.

22.5.01

No. 785-6 dt 23-5-1901
H.F. 52-55 Encl. one

are passed and for-
-warded to the Comptroller
for incorporation in the
Provincial budget, with
the observation that the
clerk in Rs 30 entertained
in the Mysore District
Forest Office should be
replaced ~~by~~ as early as
possible by one on Rs 20
and only one peon on
Rs 7 should be retained;
~~and that with effect from~~
the next following year
(1902-1903) a separate
budget for Kheddas should
be ~~one~~ discontinued, the
provision required on that
account being incorporated
in the Forest Budget
under a separate head

Kheddas

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Secy. Forest Deptt

Note.

After issue, Send
this to Hd Accts for note.

To The Dy. Commr
Mysore

The Conservator Mlg

The Conservator of Forests,

After receipt of finished
copies, necessary instructions
will be issued to the D.C.

KS.
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Note

After issue Secretariat Stock
Loose
to Head Assistt for note

1900-1901

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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PROCEEDINGS

Dated 23rd May 1901

No. 785-6
Ft. F. 52-95

Sanctioning the budget estimates of the Mysore Khedda Department for the year 1901-1902.

SBP—8-6-1901—250

Forest, dated 23rd May 1901.

Budget Estimates of the Khedda Department for the year 1901-1902.

Particulars.	Actuals for 1899-1900.	Estimates for— 1900-1901.	Estimates for— 1901-1902	Remarks.
Receipts—	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1 Sale of elephants	8,950	16,000	11,000	
2 Hire of elephants	2,221	2,000	3,500	
3 Miscellaneous items	1,119	400	500	
Total ...	12,290	18,400	15,000	
Disbursements—				
A. Up-keep of elephants—				
I Purchase of tools and plant, pals for mahouts, preparing new guddies and gadelas and replacing old ones, &c., saddles, &c., for dragging timber, bedis and bundan chains, &c., repairs to tents and pals, hemp for training elephants, repairs to jhools and pattams, dress for mahouts and sundries	679	1,700	1,000	
IV Repairs and up-keep of No. 1 Khedda at Kakenkote	1,428	1,900	500	
V Feed of kumkis. Fodder for elephants when in towns at times of Dasara for about 15 days, grain rations for elephants, medicines and sundries.	1,926	2,550	1,700	
VI Feed of newly captured elephants. Ten elephants for about 4 months at Re. 1 per day, rice, milk, sugar, medicine &c.	949	3,000	1,000	
VII Training-money for 10 elephants (new) averaging 6 feet in height, at Rs. 2-4-0 per foot of height	...	200	100	
VIII Elephant attendants on new elephants	...	1,740	1,000	The provision is for 10 mahouts at Rs. 15 each and 10 coolies at Rs. 10 each for 4 months.
Total ...	4,982	*11,090	5,300	*Out of this, Rs. 3,840 was re-appropriated from B "Establishment I. (b) elephant establishment" to A "Up-keep of elephants."
B. Establishment—				
I (a) Office establishment	909	828	528	The provision is for 1 clerk on Rs. 30 and 2 peons at Rs. 7 each.
(b) Elephant do	9,708	7,320	6,240	The provision is for 1 jamadar on Rs. 35, 14 foreign mahouts at Rs. 20 each, 14 coolies at Rs. 10 each, 2 extra mahouts at Rs. 15 each and 1 peelkhana writer on Rs. 15.
Total ...	10,617	8,148	6,768	
II Travelling allowance to office establishment.	66	152	78	
III Contingencies—				
(a) Stationery	52	20	15	
(b) Cart-hire		60	25	
(c) Sundries		75	110	
(d) Official postage		5	4	
Total ...	52	160	154	
Total B. ...	10,734	8,460	7,000	
Grand Total A & B ...	15,717	19,550	12,300	

Subd.

May this be
printed?

CS
22/6/01

Letter
22/6

and Forest Laws dated 31st
May 1901.

No. 872-80 dt 24.6.01
H.D. 5235

Press Copy sent 6.
25/6/01

SECTION Forest
FILE No. 122-1900.
SER'AL No. 3

Read

Government Proceedings

No. 785-6 dated the 23d.
H.D. 752-95

May 1901, sanctioning the budget Estimates of the Khedda department for the year 1901-02.

Note thereon by the Conservator

Order thereon

With reference to the above, Government are pleased to direct that with effect from 1902-03 the separate budget for Kheddas should be discontinued. The elephants will be distributed amongst the various districts where they are required for forest operations, the expenditure being budgetted for and accounted for

under the appropriate heads and sub heads of accounts in the Forest Department, but in such a way that receipts and charges of the kinds now pertaining to Kheddas may be ascertainable at any time

Draft
CS

22/6

Secy. Forest Deptt

To The Dy. Commr Mysore for information & guidance
of the Dist. Forest Officer.
The Dy Commrs of ~~Coorg~~
other distts.

The Comptroller &c

Proceedings of the Government of Mysore, Forest, dated 24th June 1901.

READ—

Government Proceedings No. 785-6—Ft. F. 52-95, dated the 23rd May 1901, sanctioning the budget estimates of the Khedda Department for the year 1901-1902.

Note thereon by the Conservator and Forest Secretary, dated 31st May 1901.

No. 872-80—Ft. F. 52-95, DATED BANGALORE, 24TH JUNE 1901.

ORDER THEREON—With reference to the above, Government are pleased to direct that with effect from 1902-1903 the separate budget for "Kheddas" should be discontinued. The elephants will be distributed amongst the various districts where they are required for forest operations, the expenditure being budgetted and accounted for under the appropriate heads and sub-heads of accounts in the Forest Department, but in such a way that receipts and charges of the kinds now pertaining to Kheddas may be ascertainable at any time.

J. L. PIGOT,
Secy. to Govt., Forest Dept.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, for information and guidance of the District Forest Officer.
The Deputy Commissioners of other Districts.
The Comptroller to the Government of Mysore.

Exd.—C. V.

1900
(Part)

File No. 23
Serial Nos. 1–

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1–13

Part B. for December

Subject.

Correspondence of Bank Note Manufacturers
Ltd. Nasik

and submitted drafts of notifications of the Forests for approval and publication. He further stated that he could have wished that the Deputy Commissioner thro' whom Mr. Ricketts' reports reached him had enlightened him on the subject of grazing & of ways and suggested that he be referred to on the points before the final notifi-cation of the Forests. A copy of the above letter and its enclosures were accordingly sent to the Deputy Commr. for early submission of his opinion on the points referred to in the letter.

No. $\frac{2054}{27-95-9}$ 23.8.97 (Sl. No. 2)

2. The question relating to the exploration of the Forests

has been partly settled by [illegible]

No 1255/40-95 dt 27.6.98 (81.No.7)

- tained a notification relating
to the Kabbinale and Nanjangud
State forests. The question relating
to the preservation of woodlands
and portion of the exploration
of what forests is still pending.

The Deputy Conservator, in his
letter No. 830 dated 26th May 98
explained his reasons for the
delay in preparing the above
and said that he wanted to
inspect the place before sub-
- mitting his opinion and that
it would take time till Nove
- mber 1898 for him to do so.

(P) 81.No.(15)

The Deputy Commr. has informed no. 9224 (16) 8/6·6·99
31-96

that he should endeavour to send
us his report as early as possible
not later in any case than
November next. The Deputy
Commr. has not sent the same
notwithstanding the reminders
issued.

We must be prepared for a reply without further delay.

3. In his letter no. 636/346 (present
reference) the Conservator
asks for the early notification
of the boundaries of the Birla
State Forests in the Mauzerabad
Taluka.

4. The total area comprised
in the forest is said to be

Gomal lands — A. 9 G
409 - 26

Kharak lands

Birsle Inam } A G.
treated as Kharak } 6489-36

Sud. No. 9 of Inam village - 1855-4

Do 1 Anchamale } - 1197-20
coffee abandoned estate }

7,972-

Assessed area

Occupied — 7-9

Unoccupied — 2-4

9 —

8,391 —

5. The Deputy Commissioner

States
(in the settlement ~~that~~ ~~Submitted~~ ~~that~~
Sheet submitted
with the correspondence
that the occupied lands shown

acquired under the Land Acquisition

Regulation after the Inam has

been notified as State Inam

+ that if the occupants object

to give them up, there does

not seem to be any objection

to leave them in possession

of Gujarat. The Conservator however says that these not. will be excluded for the present and treated as enclosures till they are formally acquired from the holders, and thinks that it is quite possible that the occupants may, without much inconvenience to forest interests, be left in possession. He accordingly solicits sanction to the alienation of the gomal land No. 53 and assessed unoccupied land bur. no. 63, 2 acres 4 guntas, bearing an assessment of Rs. 5-8-0 and requests the modification of the boundaries of the forest. The total area will thus be 8384-10 acres as noted in the margin after excluding the assessed occupied lands.

Mr. ... perhaps ... allowed the ... absolute acquisition ... would be better ... This need not ... ever delay the ... upon of the ... ment modification ...

X X

Gomal - 409-26
Kharab - 7972-20
assessed occupied 2-4-0

Total 8384-10-

Submitted with a draft A

approval or other orders.

Submitted
Secretary
22/8/00

Subd to 2nd.

6. If the Commissioners are of opinion that it is undesirable at present to make any allocation of Canal will be obtained & the Matter again opened.

24/8/00
13th

23/8/00.
22/8/00

Subd with draft calling for the information. But it is respectfully submitted that the returns furnished by the Dy. Commr. give the required information which

Subd to Secy
29/9/00.

R2 7. pm.
30. ix. 00

7. I think the Secretary should write to the Foreign Office pointing out the statistics of cattle &c. which does not appear in the Report. What does the Foreign Office say. Please complete the information

1. X. 00

3/10

Summarised in the Court's letter No. 636/3.46 dated 9.5.[illegible]00

There are 108 Cattle in the Yellahalli village and there are 2922 acres of gomal land in the village. After deducting 409 acres required for the Forest there will remain 2500 acres, which area is more than ample for the above cattle. In the Arni village there are 215 head of cattle and there are 2728 acres of Kharab land. After deducting 285 acres required for the Forest there will remain 2693 acres for cattle.

Please see recommendation made in para 9 above

Sd/- 10.00

Subl.
CS
4/10/01

9. Issue order NOC declaring the forest as S.F. Then re-submit as per above

D.F.P.
31.12.00.

10. Order declaring this as a State Forest was issued and the boundaries notified. No. 408/77-40-95 dated 31st Dec. (Contd.)

The

The area of the forest will
be 8384.10 Acres as stated
in para 5 supra.

Subl with draft. but attention
is respectfully solicited to para 7
supra & Pl. No. (3) of the
file.

26.2.01.

14. If so necessary, he
may settle the area of
Kole forest before the
Forest Rly becomes
law only if you do
without waiting for the
info. called for from
the D.C. Hassan.

The D.C. was addressed
on the 10th Oct. last & 4
reminders have been
sent. No reply has been
rec'd. But, in view of
what is stated in the
Correspondence the 31st
15th Aug. as per para
8 supra the Councillor will perhaps
agree to the alienation
as proposed in the draft

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Which is Chairpore known as THE MARE'S NOSE
under Rev. Deptt.

S. L. Deptt.
5. 3. 07.

To
Secy. Govt. of Rev. Deptt.

Ruled 8 mgrs.

12. The Forest Deptt waited for more than two & half months for a reply to the 3 of the 10 letters (no 4 as the 3rd letter was considered unnecessary) & not any longer. The Dy Comr who had only begun his opinion and to obtain & submit. The statements of the Villagers, has not yet come to hand & after several reminders; and it is now proposed by the Forest Deptt to deal finally with the question of alienation without waiting any further. It is now nearly five months since the reservation for occupation and cultivation

As the numbered cattle available some of these I shall be alienated I shall be sanctioned without further waiting the same the Dy Comr has rendered himself liable to be censured reprimanded & for extended correspondence & reminders. As I am of the opinion that a strict reprimand

9.3.07

To Secy to Govt of Rev Deptt for record - If desired I shall myself speak to the

I shall be glad indeed if Rev. Fry will act as suggested in his letter of 10th inst.

J. L. Pyne.
12. 3. 01.

To
Rev. & Secretary

13. I have added a para to the draft which please after issue from the new date the date every office-wise returned by the Forest Secretariat.

Rec'd 6.30 P.M. 16/3/01
Issued 16/3/01

16/3/01

14 Draft passed and issued Vide Pro. No. 7522-3 A/R. 2620 dated 20 - 3 - 01.

Sl. No (8).

15. With reference to paras 7 and 12 supra the Dy. Commr. of Hassan states ~~that~~ in his letter No. 541 dt 13 - 3 - 01 that in his opinion the

Sl. No (9)

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ginal land may be taken for the forest and enclosed Makeran ~~[illegible]~~ Sessias by the Wazir of Mawanur Arequdé and Montanamane agreeing to the alienation.

16. Not having the inform[n] in time the Govt had to publish the boundaries of the Bickl Forest and to call upon the Dy. Commr. to explain the delay. Please see para 3 of S[l] N[o] (8).

Subl for orders as to whether the present letter (5th) may be filed. (9)

4.4.01.

Note: Personal letter only does not touch the question of delay. No explanation is required. Let 20 be put up on draft reminder for 2nd Councillor's approval.

J.L.P.

8/4/01.

Subl with Hassan Dy. Comrs explanation which is to the effect that the delay was due to the original royal statement having been mixed up with some other

No. 601 of 4/4/01

(10)

forest papers.

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CS
10/4/01

~~File.~~

~~DLP~~

~~12/4/01.~~

The Dy. Commissioner's explanation may perhaps be quickly filed.

D.L.P.

13.4.01.

2 Councillor

Please record with the observation that Govt hope that matters of the kind mentioned would not be allowed hereafter - Q

15/4/01

DDP 16/4/01.

Submitted draft.

CS
15/4/01

DDP
19.4

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

From

No. 1922-38

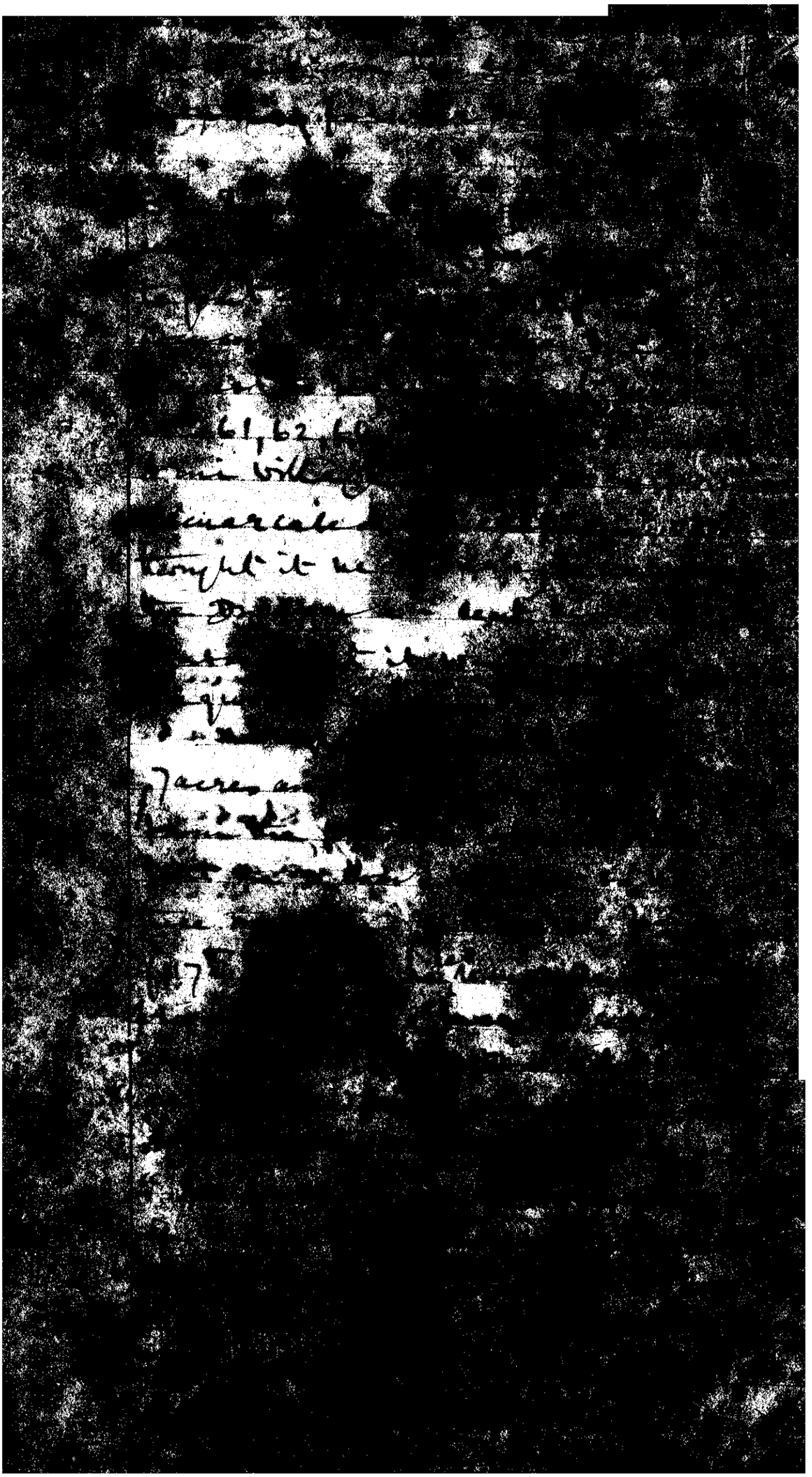
Dated

Received 29

Brief Subject

Note and Orders

Notes—First sheet.



Note Contd.

Orders issued (Vide Pro. no. 280/1493 dt 11th October 1901).

In the above order the Dy. Comr. was requested to take action for the acquisition of the lands of Barri village and to submit a supplemental alienation Statement showing the assessment to be written off the accounts.

Settled Nr. 7/4/02.

The Dy. Comr. D.F.O., Nazira forwards with his Nos. 336 & 343 dt 2nd & 4th April respectively a supplemental alienation statement in respect of lands S. Nos. 61, 62, 66 & 68

Above Estimates for 99

bearing in assessment

of Rs. 22-8-0. This has to be

written off the accounts of

the Survey Dept'd. With the sanction of Govt. in the Rev. Dept'd.

assessment on S. No. 63

has already been written

off -

The Supdt., Rev. Survey

forwarded with his no. 226. Flag G

of 28th Septr. 1901, the

correspondence between him

self & the Asstt. Supdt.

(Mr. Mackay). From

this it will be seen that

the

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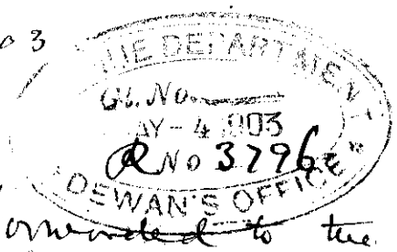
the area of the forest is
A G A
8129-38. as against 8386-
Sanctioned in fort Props. 8

20.3.01. Necessary orders
will be issued for the rectification
of the area after the alienation
now asked for is sanctioned.
CS
17.4.03



~~Forwarded to~~ the Rev. and Fores
Secretary with a request that
necessary action may be taken
as regards the alienation of
the S. Nos referred to and writing
off the assessment.

24/4/03.

24.4.03

Sd/ Hutt
28/4/03

Rec. 4/10 pm
6/5 Hutt

No. R4282 of 21/5/03. Sent with note & draft
Returned to
the Secretary,
Forest Dept, with
the Dewan Order

Symbols below: —

" The proper course
to be followed in such
matters is for the
Conservator to send
the matter up to the
Rev: Commissioner
to lay the matter
before Govt. as first
Secretary after
obtaining his opinion "

SG
P.N.K.
13.5.03. II

By order
Illegible
for Secretary
18/5/03

23/5/03

Subd. with draft

Rec
16/5

Draft issued (Vide No. 7625
dated 2nd June 1903).

In his No. 2396 dated 18th
Govt. 1903, the Rev. Commr.

states that he approves of
the alienation of the 24 S.no. of
the Arni village, which has
already been acquired.

Subd. with a draft Sanct.
the writing the assessment of
the accounts.

C's 4.20/11
25/11/03.

Sept 30/11/03

27.11.03.

To the Dewan thro' the Secretary
Commissioner

Ft. 160
30-11-03.

I agree - draft attached

1/12/03

Initd to the Dewan
1/12/03

Draft issued (Pro. No 389-9
408-8
dated 5th Dec 03).

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1.12.03

Docket No. 430 dated the
18th May 1904, from the
Dist. Medl Officer, Harpanahalli

With this office no. 7608
of 8.3.04, a copy of Surveyor's
letter & its enclosure were forwarded
to the D.C. Hassan in the matter
of the area of the Bible Stake
Forest & he was asked to sub-
-mit a revised alienation &
~~Sket~~ boundary Statements.
In the present letter, the D.C.
States that a revised alienation & boundary
Statements are unnecessary.
But it will be seen that the
area of Kharab Sanctd
in Ro. no 22-3A of 20.3.07
R.2620
is 7772-20 while the actual
area is 7790-8.
Subd for orders as to whether
the D.C. may be permitted
to correct the accounts of
his office as requested by him
and the fact

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intimated to the Sub

Settlement Commr.

CS
1/6/04 U.S/6/04

I think this sufficient if the area alone is cancelled.

Mlle
4.6.04

Plans for Secs. 10194 & 10195
28.6.04 to the Secretary & Cattle.
Asst Comr. & 2 Rossers.

Lib'd Letter & Draft

Bmj
6/6

No. 863/45 Original in H.F. 350 of 97 (Sl.)

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Office of the

Conservator of Forests in Mysore

Dated 8th August 1897.

From,

Colonel J. Campbell Walker,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To,

The Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

Gen. and Rev. Departments.

Sir,

No. 6004-5 H.F.27-95 dated 29.12.1896. Referring to Proceedings marginally quoted under which Mr. G. E. Ricketts was placed on special duty with the Hassan District in connection with the exploration of the Ghat forests and preservation of woodlands on the head waters of streams, I have the honor to submit his reports (3) on the Hemmakhe and Kenchinkumari forests and on a group o

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woodlands or sholas situated on the head waters of the Hemavati, Kabbinakhalla and Gullenhalla or Kempholé rivers, which he has styled the "Mookan-gudda Block".

2. The Kempholé and Kenchinkumari forests have been entered as State forests under the former name since 1894 when they were notified by the late Inspector General and appear in the last annual report under the category of "Reserved Forests" as "Kempholé Ghat" with an estimated area of 10.311 acres whereas Mr. Ricketts estimates the aggregate area at 8,300 acres only of which 1/3rd is actually covered with forest. Both figures are approximate only and I should be inclined to consider Mr. Ricketts' as the more reliable of the two but the point is not material. Mr. Ricketts furnishes exhaustive lists

of the trees and minor products to be found in those

forests.

Flowering specimens of some of the former have already been sent to Mr. Cameron (whose report on a brief visit paid by him formed subject of Pro. 2

11090–11100 dated 18th June (897) for identification
H.F.31–96

and others will follow.

3. Owing to the description of trees which as a rule is not valuable, though an exception must be made in the Poon (Calophyllum tomentosum) and Honne (Pterocarpus marsupium), and inaccessa much importance cannot at present be attached those forests as timber producing areas but their minor products, which are capable of considerable development, are commercially valuable chiefly from their situation on the western slopes of the Ghats they cannot fail to exercise an important

influence on the precipitation of moisture and regulation of the water supply on which large areas of cultivation in the adjoining South Canara District mainly depends.

Moreover, as Mr. Rickles points out the advent of a railway would materially alter all the conditions, rendering the removal to ~~mat~~ market even of gigantic Poon spars (which would be dragged out of the forests by elephants) comparatively easy and creating a local demand for other timbers and firewood now unsaleable. So far the in-accessibility of the forests and want of demand have been their protection, for I attach little or no value to the presence of a Forester and 2 watchers who probably rarely if ever entered them, and they have only suffered from fire the inroads of which from the adjoining grass covered hills are,

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doubtless, as represented by Mr. Ricketts, much more frequent and destructive than is generally supposed.

4. Under all the circumstances, I recommend their early notification as State Forests for which I submit drafts.

So far as Mr. Ricketts could ascertain there are no rights even of grazing or way except the Manjarabad-Mangalore road which passes through Kempholé and their practical preservation under the Cadet Inspector General's orders since 1894 without any complaint favours that assumption. I could have wished that the Deputy Commissioner of Hassan through whom Mr. Ricketts' reports reached me had enlightened us on this and other points and would suggest that he be referred to before the final notification under Sections 1 and 4 of the Rules is issued.

5. Permanent demarcation and fire protection

should follow not precede their constitution as State Forests and the development of cardamom cultivation, either Departmentally or on carefully drawn up leases, be taken in hand in the Kanchin-Kumari block to commence with.

A few trees had been felled and converted under late Inspector General's orders for experimental sale at Sakleshpur or removal to Hassan but there have been difficulties with regard to transport which can be overcome by leasing a couple of elephants to drag the logs to the main road or even to Sakleshpur itself so as to enable us to test the market though I do not advocate any further felling at present.

6. In his third report Mr. Rickets submits proposals for preservations on the head waters of important feeders of ~~[illegible]~~ rivers in accordance

with my instructions based on the views already
submitted to Government in connection with their
Proceedings marginally quoted.

(1) No. 82366/R.3185 of 9th March 96.

(2) No. 8927-30/R.3651 of 31st March 96

(3) Conservator's letter No. 93 of 6-12-96

The report speaks for itself and is typical of
what I would like to see one in all similar
circumstances that is to say all the woodlands considered
essential selected for permanent preservation
and protection and the rest, whether on the banks
of streams or not, made available for cultivation.

7. Mr. Rickets deals with areas in the Hanbalu
and Marnahalli hobblis of the Manjerabad Taluk
comprising the head waters of the Woddenhalla
Bennihalla and Chittenhalla, feeders of the Hemavati
and of the Habbinalehalla and Settenhalla known
lower down as the Hemphicle River.

Within those areas he proposes to preserve about

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9944 acres of which 9649 acres are at the disposal of Government and 295 acres in private occupation. Reference is made to a further extent of 504 acres but as its preservation is not essential and it is at-present in private (Mr. Middleton's) occupation we need not concern ourselves with it.

8. In the 9649 acres of Government waste there are numerous roads and paths some of which at all events would doubtless have to be reconquized as rights of way.

The right of privilege of free grazing is also generally exercised the whole or bulk of the lands being I imagine classed as "gomal" on the settlement registers.

It will be necessary to decide definitely whether it

it is a right or privilege admitting it in the
former case subject to reasonable conditions
with regard to fire and in the latter permitting
subject to good behaviour under the provisos indicated
Mr. Ricketts. There would indeed be no object in
stopping it over the grass lands which intervene betw
the "Blocks" which are only included in the propose
reservation in order to give us means of access an
natural boundaries and enable us to protect the
wooded areas from fire.

9. The 295 acres in private occupation in
-cludes Mr. Hunt's holdings which have formed subje
of considerable correspondence, a small area held
by Mr. Elliot who will doubtless gladly agree to its
resumption and reservation, and other lands in
native names. The amount paid to Government for

the whole 295 acres is apparently Rs. 4538-2-9
but although only a very small proportion has, I
believe, been brought under cultivation the amount
of compensation to be paid in the event of acquisition
being decided on would of course be very much larger.

It is therefore for Government to decide whether
(1) to leave it alone, (2) to acquire it outright
or (3) to compromise by returning the amounts paid
at auction by the purchasers and grant them forest
leases under certain conditions thereby retaining
the control and right of resumption should the
conditions not be adhered to.

I should say that each case had better be decided
on its merits by the Deputy Accountant Commissioner,
with a forest officer to advise as to the importance of each

forest point of view, the conclusions arri
at with the approval of the Deputy Conservator
Conservator of Forests being adopted by Government
with such modifications as they may deem fi
as final.

10. Subject to a definite settlement of these iss
and of claims to grazing and rights of way
the Government lands, I recommend strongly the
preservation and constitution as 'State Forest' of th
whole area embraced by Mr. Ricketts' report whi
should be adopted as a type for further action in
some lines along the line of ghats and on the head
waters of streams generally.

Mr. Ricketts has demarcated the proposed
Moorkanagudda preservation in a preliminary
manner by means of cairns similar to those

erected on the Nilgiris and other hill ranges in Madras which can readily be followed by more permanent demarcation pillars and a cleared line on its notification as State Forest by Government.

I understand from the Survey and Settlement Superintendent semi-officially that he takes some exception to the adoption of the course indicated on the ground that it will interfere with his maps and settlement registers. But I need scarcely represent that the Survey Department like all others exists for the benefit of the State and people and must be prepared to modify and revise their maps and registers as circumstances demand.

11. Mr. Ricketts' remarks under Pre-emption have reference, he informs me, to my suggestion in para 10 of my letter to Government No. $\frac{3885}{362}$ dated

in Rs. 7.34-9

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21st May 1896 That well established Planters sho
have such right with regard to lands adjoin
their estates. I move the suggestion advisedly a
the strength of my experience in other parts of
India but it is only right that it should be
restricted within reasonable limits as regard
time and situation so as not to form a bar to
legitimate extension of permanent cultivation

(2. The maps and statements to elucidate
Mr. Ricketts' reports are herewith submitted and
solicit the full and early attention of Governme
to the subject which is of great importance.

I consider that Mr. Ricketts has made very go
use of the comparatively short time (January
to June) at his disposal and that the manner

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in which he has performed a very arduous and novel

task merits recognition by Government.

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) J. Campbell Walker, Colonel.,

Comdt. of Forces in Mysore.

"Copy"